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This correspondence is a correction to the examiner's answer filed 01-11-2007, correcting section 9 (Grounds of Rejection) of the examiner's answer by including the claims listing in the final rejection.

(10) Response to Argument

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Regarding claims 1-3, 6-9, 12-16 and 19-20, appellant argues that the prior art fails to anticipate each element of the claims, in that Lawroski fails to disclose the shaft having a normal belt position set forth in claims I and I 4. In response, the claims are to a subcombination apparatus, only drawn to a shaft not a belt plus shaft. (2. In appellant's shaft, the normal belt position is merely a straight section (see marked-up fig. 1 below). Lawroski also discloses a shaft (38) having a straight section similar to that of appellant's (see marked-up fig. 1 A below). Therefore, this meets the apparatus limitation since the structures are identical. In addition, appellant argues that Lawroski's groove is not angled because it is curved. However, a curved groove is made up of an infinite number of angles. Applicant doesn't state a specific type of angle (i.e. sharpe or curve). Therefore, Lawroski's curved grooved meets this limitation (see marked-up fig. 1 A below).

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